IDEA Maintenance of Effort FY 2011 Compliance Results Available

The Special Education Team is very pleased to announce the IDEA Maintenance of Effort (MOE) Compliance Report and Exceptions software is now available to local educational agencies (LEAs) through the Special Education Web Portal at https://www2.dpi.state.wi.us/seportal/Pages/SignIn.aspx. All individuals who have access to the LEA's IDEA budgets will see "IDEA Maintenance of Effort" in the Applications table on the Local Performance Plan Main Menu page.

Compliance with IDEA's MOE requirement includes testing an LEA's local / state special education expenditures for two consecutive fiscal years. On the IDEA Maintenance of Effort menu, LEAs can immediately determine whether or not they have passed the FY 2011 MOE compliance test because their status will either read "Met" or "Failed." LEAs that fail to comply with MOE must submit exceptions to DPI through the IDEA MOE Compliance Report and Exceptions software. These exceptions must be submitted by Friday, October 28, 2011. Technical assistance on submitting exceptions can be viewed at http://www.dpi.wi.gov/sped/pdf/moe-4-compliance.pdf

To assist LEAs with data entry and DPI with the review process, all approved 2010-11 Eligibility exceptions were copied from the 2010-11 Eligibility Report and Exceptions software to the 2010-11 Compliance Report and Exceptions software. As a result, LEAs may find they failed all four MOE tests, but MOE has been "met" as a result of previously entered, approved exceptions.

Additional technical assistance on MOE is available at the following link. http://www.dpi.wi.gov/sped/grt-moe.html

If you experience any issues while reporting exception data, please contact Lori Ames at lori.ames@dpi.wi.gov or (608) 267-3759.